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In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

BOYLE et al.

Appln. No.: 09/242,461

Filed: February 17, 1999

FOR: 3-MERCAPTOPYRROLIDINES AS
FARNESYL PROTEIN TRANSFERASE
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Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: March 27, 2003

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 27, 2002. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Further to the specification amendments made by the Amendment dated October 15, 2002, please make the following additional amendments to the specification:

Please further amend the first paragraph on page 2, line 6 to page 4, line 9, as follows:

(Twice Amended) According to one aspect of the present invention there is provided

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an inhibitor of ras farnesylation of Formula I